Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 1023, Travel Promotion Act.

Senator Mel Martinez, of Florida, submitted a letter of resignation from the United States Senate.

House and Senate met in a Joint Session to receive a message from the President of the United States.

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1655–1657, and S. Res. 256–257.

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Measures Passed:

Travel Promotion Act: By 79 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 272), Senate passed S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States, as amended, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Reid (for Dorgan/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 1347, of a perfecting nature. Pages \$9153, \$9170 Withdrawn:

Reid Amendment No. 1348 (to Amendment No. 1347), to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 1349 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 1347), to change the enactment date. Pages S9153, S9170

Reid Amendment No. 1350 (to Amendment No. 1349), of a perfecting nature. Pages S9153, S9170

Congressional Gold Medal: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1243, to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Arnold Palmer in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsmanship in golf, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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Majority Party Membership: Senate agreed to S. Res. 257, to constitute the majority party's membership on certain committees for the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, or until their successors are chosen.

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Reserve Officers Association Modernization Act—Referral Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. 1599, to amend title 36, United States Code, to include in the Federal charter of the Reserve Officers Association leadership positions newly added in its constitution and bylaws, and the bill then be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Appointment Correction—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Record reflect that the appointment of General Michael Hayden to the Public Interest Declassification Board, made during the adjournment of the Senate, was made by the Republican Leader rather than the Majority Leader.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the President's address delivered to a Joint Session of Congress on September 9, 2009 relative to health care legislation; which was ordered to lie on the table. (PM-29)

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Removal of Injunction of Secrecy: The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Protocol Amending Tax Convention with France (Treaty Doc. No. 111–4).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and

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referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed.

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Sunstein Nomination—Cloture: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Cass R. Sunstein, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Pages S9166-70, S9172-75

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 63 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 273), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 12:30 p.m., on Thursday, September 10, 2009.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

- 3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. 43 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.
- 2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.
 - 3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Messages from the House:

Measures Referred:

Executive Communications:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page S9189

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—273) Pages S9170, S9173

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:07 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 10, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S9190.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

GLOBAL WARMING LEGISLATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine global warm-

ing legislation, focusing on carbon markets and producer groups, after receiving testimony from Gary Gensler, Chairman, United States Commodities Futures Trading Commission; Timothy H. Profeta, Duke University Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions, Durham, North Carolina; Joseph R. Glace, Exelon Corporation, and Julie Winkler, Green Exchange Venture, both of Chicago, Illinois; David Miller, Iowa Farm Bureau, Des Moines; Fred Yoder, National Corn Growers Association, Plain City, Ohio; Luke Brubaker, Brubaker Farms, Myerstown, Pennsylvania; Frank Rehermann, US Rice Producers Association, Live Oak, California; and W. Andrew Beckstoffer, Beckstoffer Vineyards, Rutherford, California.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense approved for full Committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2010.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Robert D. Hormats, of New York, to be Under Secretary of State for Economic, Energy, and Agricultural Affairs, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

UNITED STATES FORENSIC SCIENCE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine strengthening forensic science in the United States, after receiving testimony from Eric Buel, Vermont Department of Public Safety Forensic Laboratory, Waterbury; Peter Neufeld, Innocence Project, New York, New York; Harold L. Hurtt, Chief, Houston Police Department, Houston, Texas; Paul C. Giannelli, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio; Barry D. Matson, Alabama District Attorneys Association, Montgomery; and Matthew F. Redle, Sheridan County, Sheridan, Wyoming, on behalf of the National District Attorneys Association.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Joseph A. Greenaway, Jr., of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Menendez and Lautenberg, Roberto A. Lange, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota, who was introduced by Senator Johnson, Irene Cornelia Berger, to be United States District Judge for the Southern

District of West Virginia, who was introduced by Senator Rockefeller, Charlene Edwards Honeywell, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, who was introduced by Senator Nelson (FL), and Ignacia S. Moreno, of New York, to be Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 3542–3546; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 723–725, 727–728, were introduced. **Page H9396**

Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H. Res. 726, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 965) to amend the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 to provide for the continuing authorization of the Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network (H. Rept. 111–249).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Holden to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Dr. Benny Tate, Rock Springs Church, Milner, Georgia. Page H9345

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 723, electing a minority member to a standing committee: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Representative Luetkemeyer. Page H9350

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2009: H.R. 3165, amended, to provide for a program of wind energy research, development, and demonstration;

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Recognizing the remarkable contributions of the American Council of Engineering Companies for its 100 years of service to the engineering industry and the Nation: H. Res. 447, to recognize the remarkable contributions of the American Council of Engineering Companies for its 100 years of service to the engineering industry and the Nation, by a ½ yea-and-nay vote of 420 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 690; Pages H9352-53, H9387

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Aerospace Day: H. Con. Res. 167, to support the goals and ideals of National Aerospace Day;

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Heavy Duty Hybrid Vehicle Research, Development, and Demonstration Act of 2009: H.R. 445, amended, to establish a research, development, demonstration, and commercial application program to promote research of appropriate technologies for heavy duty plug-in hybrid vehicles; Pages H9355–57

Recognizing the 75th anniversary of the passage of the Federal Credit Union Act: H. Res. 556, to recognize the 75th anniversary of the passage of the Federal Credit Union Act and the vibrant Federal credit union community that was created as a result of this important piece of legislation; Pages H9357-59

Promoting Transparency in Financial Reporting Act of 2009: H.R. 2664, to require annual oral testimony before the Financial Services Committee of the Chairperson or a designee of the Chairperson of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, relating to their efforts to promote transparency in financial reporting;

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Nonadmitted and Reinsurance Reform Act of 2009: H.R. 2571, to streamline the regulation of nonadmitted insurance and reinsurance;

Pages H9360-63

Star-Spangled Banner Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 2097, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the bicentennial of the writing of the Star-Spangled Banner, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 691; Pages H9363-65, H9388

Providing for the appointment of France A. Cordova as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: S. J. Res. 9, to provide for the appointment of France A. Cordova as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution;

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Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a celebration of Citizenship Day: H. Con. Res. 136, to authorize the use of the Capitol Grounds for a celebration of Citizenship Day; Pages H9366-67

William O. Lipinski Federal Building Designation Act: H.R. 2498, to designate the Federal building located at 844 North Rush Street in Chicago, Illinois, as the "William O. Lipinski Federal Building", by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 692;

Pages H9367-68, H9388-89

Providing for the transfer of certain Federal property to the Galveston Historical Foundation: H.R. 2121, amended, to provide for the transfer of certain Federal property to the Galveston Historical Foundation;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To authorize the Administrator of General Services to convey a parcel of real property in Galveston, Texas, to the Galveston Historical Foundation.". Page H9368

Albert Armendariz, Sr., United States Courtbouse Designation Act: H.R. 2053, to designate the United States courthouse located at 525 Magoffin Avenue in El Paso, Texas, as the "Albert Armendariz, Sr., United States Courthouse";

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Alto Lee Adams, Sr., United States Courthouse Designation Act: H.R. 3193, to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 101 South United States Route 1 in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the "Alto Lee Adams, Sr., United States Courthouse";

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Requesting that the President focus appropriate attention on neighborhood crime prevention and community policing: H. Res. 623, to request that the President focus appropriate attention on neighborhood crime prevention and community policing, and coordinate certain Federal efforts to participate in National Night Out, which occurs the first Tuesday of August each year, including by supporting local efforts and community watch groups and by supporting local officials, to promote community safety and help provide homeland security;

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Recognizing September 11 as a "National Day of Service and Remembrance": H. Res. 718, to recognize September 11 as a "National Day of Service and Remembrance";

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Honoring the first responders, paying tribute to the victims of the Southern California wildfires, and mourning the loss of Firefighter Captain Tedmund "Ted" Hall, and Firefighter Specialist Arnaldo "Arnie" Quinones: H. Res. 724, to honor the first responders, pay tribute to the victims of the Southern California wildfires, and mourn the loss of Firefighter Captain Tedmund "Ted" Hall, and Firefighter Specialist Arnaldo "Arnie" Quinones; and

Pages H9376-79

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001: H. Res. 722, to express the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 693.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:31 p.m. and reconvened at 7:45 p.m. Page H9390

President Obama's Address to the Joint Session of Congress: President Barack Obama delivered a message to a joint session of Congress. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Hoyer, Clyburn, Larson (CT), Becerra, Van Hollen, George Miller (CA), Kennedy, Boehner, Cantor, DeLauro, McCotter, Carter, Sessions, McCarthy (CA), and Blunt and Senators Reid, Durbin, Schumer, Murray, Menendez, Dorgan, Stabenow, McConnell, Kyl, Alexander, Murkowski, Thune, and Cornyn. The President's message was referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed as a House Document (H. Doc. 111-62). The Speaker declared the joint session dissolved at 9:07 p.m. Pages H9390-94

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today and messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H9350 and H9390.

Senate Referrals: S. Res. 255 was held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9387, H9388, H9388–89, and H9390. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings MEDICAL ISOTOPE CRISIS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing entitled "Solving the Medical Isotope Crisis," to examine the American Medical Isotopes Production Act of 2009 (H.R 3276). Testimony was heard from Parrish Staples, Director, European and African Threat Reduction, Office of Global Threat Reduction, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

RYAN WHITE EXTENSION ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "'Ryan White Extension Act of 2009' Discussion Draft Legislation." Testimony was heard from Mary Wakefield, R.N., Office of the Administrator, Health Resources Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Marcia Crosse, Health Care Director, GAO; and public witnesses.

MAKING HOME AFFORDABLE PROGRAM

Committee on Financial Services. Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity held a hearing entitled "Progress of the Making Home Affordable Program: What Are the Outcomes for Homeowners and What Are the Obstacles to Success?" Testimony was heard from Michael S. Barr, Assistant Secretary, Financial Institutions, Department of the Treasury; David Stevens, Assistant Secretary, Housing/Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development; Paul S. Willen, Senior Economist and Policy Advisor, Federal Bank of Boston, Federal Reserve System; and public witnesses.

LENDING INDUSTRY'S FORECLOSURE

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the Role of the Lending Industry in the Home Foreclosure Crisis. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth W. Magner, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of Louisiana; Suzanne Sangree, Law Department, Baltimore, Maryland; and public witnesses.

AMERICAN CONSERVATION AND CLEAN ENERGY INDEPENDENCE ACT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 2227, American Conservation and Clean Energy Independence Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Tim Murphy of Pennsylvania and Abercrombie; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—OFFSHORE AQUACULTURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife held an oversight hearing on offshore aquaculture. Testimony was heard from James Balsiger, Acting Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Services, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

INDIAN WATER RIGHTS SETTLEMENT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3254, Taos Pueblo Indian Water Rights Settlement Act; and H.R. 3342, Aamodt Litigation

Settlement Act. Testimony was heard from Mike Connor, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

U.S.'S AFGHANISTAN/PAKISTAN ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing entitled "Afghanistan and Pakistan: Accountability Community Oversight of a New Interagency Strategy." Testimony was heard from MG Arnold Fields, USMC (Ret.), Inspector General, Special Inspector General, Afghanistan Reconstruction; from the following officials of the Department of State: Harold W. Geisel, Inspector General; and Donald A. Gambatesa, Inspector General, U.S. Agency for International Development; Gordon S. Heddwell, Inspector General, Department of Defense; and Jacquelyn Williams-Bridgers, Managing Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO.

CHESAPEAKE BAY GATEWAYS AND WATERTRAILS NETWORK CONTINUING AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 965, the "Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Continuing Authorization Act." The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions of the bill.

The rule makes in order the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the report, if offered by Representative Bishop of Utah or his designee, which shall be in order without intervention of any point of order except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI, shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent.

The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Sarbanes and Hastings of Washington.

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Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled "The Challenges of the 2009—H1N1 Influenza and its Potential Impact on Small Businesses and Healthcare Providers." Testimony was heard from Rebecca Blank, Under Secretary, Economic Affairs, Department of Commerce; RADM Anne Shuchat,

M.D., USPHS, Assisting Surgeon General, U.S. Public Health Service, Director, National Center, Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; Bridger McGaw, Acting Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector, Office of Policy/Office of Private Sector, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, **SEPTEMBER 10, 2009**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to mark up proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for Defense, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and how to improve Securities and Exchange Commission performance, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Energy, Natural Resources, and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine oil and gas tax provisions, focusing on the President's fiscal year 2010 budget proposal, 2:15 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine Iraq, focusing on a report from the field, 2:30 p.m.,

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine an update on stimulus spending, transparency, and fraud prevention, 10 a.m.,

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 1635, to establish an Indian youth telemental health demonstration project, to enhance the provision of mental health care services to Indian youth, to encourage Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and other mental health care providers serving residents of Indian country to obtain the services of predoctoral psychology and psychiatry interns, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 369, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, S. 1599, to amend title 36, United States Code, to include in the Federal charter of the Reserve Officers Association leadership positions newly added in its constitution and bylaws, and the nominations of Jeffrey L. Viken, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota, and Beverly Baldwin Martin, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, and Peter F. Neronha, to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island, Daniel G. Bogden, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nevada, Dennis K. Burke, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona, and Neil H. MacBride, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold joint hearings to examine the legislative presentation of the American Legion, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Charting the Course for Effective Professional Military Education, 10 a.m., 210

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Consumer Product Safety Commission Oversight: Current Issues and a Vision for the Future," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet, hearing entitled "Oversight of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: Broadband, Part 2," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled "The World Bank's Disclosure Policy Review and the Role of Democratic Participatory Process in Achieving Successful Development Outcomes," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on Outlook for

Iraq and U.S. Policy, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment, hearing on U.S.-China Relations: Maximizing the Effectiveness of the Strategic and Economic Dialogue, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, hearing on Competition and Commerce in Digital Books, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 685, United States Civil Rights Trail System Act of 2009; H.R. 1593, To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 2802, To provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the Adams Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in honor of former President John Adams and his legacy, and for other purposes; H.R. 2806, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundary of the Stephen Mather Wilderness and the North Cascades National Park in order to allow the rebuilding of a road outside of the floodplain while ensuring that there is no net loss of acreage to the Park or the Wilderness, and for other purposes; H.R. 3113, Upper Elk River Wild and Scenic Study Act; H.R. 2008, Bonneville Unit Clean Hydropower Facilitation Act; H.R. 2265, Magna Water District Water Reuse and Groundwater Recharge

Act of 2009; H.R. 2442, Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program Expansion Act of 2009; H.R. 2522, To raise the ceiling on the Federal share of the cost of the Calleguas Municipal Water District Recycling Project, and for other purposes; H.R. 2741, To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the City of Hermiston, Oregon, water recycling and reuse project, and for other purposes, and H.R. 2950, To direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment contracts between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District, 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 1881, Transportation Security Workforce Enhancement Act of 2009; H.R. 2495, Federal Real Property Disposal Enhancement Act of 2009; H.R. 2092, Kingman and Heritage Islands Act of 2009; H.R. 2711, Families of Fallen Heroes Act; H. Con. Res. 163, Expressing support for designation of September 23, as "National Job Corps Day"; H. Res. 441, Honoring the historical contributions of Catholic sisters in the United States; H. Res. 679, Supporting the goals and ideals of American Legion Day; H.R. 2215, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 140 Merriman Road in Garden City, Michigan, as the "John J. Shivnen Post Office Building"; H.R. 3319, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 440 South Gulling Street in Portola, California, as the "Army Specialist Jeremiah Paul McCleery Post Office Building"; and H.R. 3386, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1165 2nd Avenue in Des Moines, Iowa, as the "Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans Memorial Post Office," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Biological Research for Energy and Medical Applications at the Department of Energy Office of Science, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing on the Risks of Financial Modeling: VaR and the Economic Meltdown, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, hearing on Concerns with Hazardous Materials Safety in the U.S.: Is PHMSA Performing its Mission? 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on Vocational Rehabilitation and Review of SPAWAR and VA's Interagency Agreement, 1:30 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, hearing entitled "Roadmap to Copenhagen: Driving Toward Success," 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine income, poverty, and health insurance coverage, focusing on assessing key census indicators of family well-being in 2008, 1 p.m., 210, Cannon Building.

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings to examine the legislative presentation of the American Legion, 9:30 a.m., 345, Cannon Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 9:30 a.m., Thursday, September 10

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 10 a.m., Thursday, September 10

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 12:30 p.m.), Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Cass R. Sunstein, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of H.R. 965— Chesapeake Bay Gateways and Watertrails Network Continuing Authorization Act (Subject to a Rule).

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